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Attn: Susan White, Mining Program Coordinator

Attached to this letter are an updated application and figures for a reclamation release request for the Graymont Cricket Mountain quarry (M/027/006). This update is in response to Tom Munson's visit to the Cricket Mountain facility on May 25, 2007. The update includes four additional acres of reclaimed disturbance, increasing the total requested vegetation release to 51.7 acres.

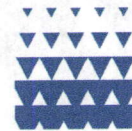
The new areas bring the overall average vegetative cover for release areas to 19.7%. This exceeds the required cover percentage of 17%, which is 70 % of measured background vegetation. An updated summary of the release is detailed below.

The total existing reclamation contract at the Cricket Mountain quarry is for 625.7 acres of disturbance with a surety of \$2,098,500. We are applying for release of 103.5 acres. Full release is requested for 51.7 acres, and partial release is requested for 51.8 acres. We are requesting a surety release of \$286,300. The amount of \$173,400 is requested for the full release areas, and the amount of \$112,900 is requested for the partial release areas. The release amounts were determined by calculating the amount of surety per acre (\$3,353.84) and then multiplying by the acres nominated for release. The partial release amount was calculated at 65% of the total as a proportional cost of grading. The amount is rounded to the nearest \$100.

The area proposed for release includes the Poison Mountain West Dump, which is a variance from the approved mine plan. Due to less overburden than originally anticipated, the dump is not graded identically to the conceptual plan. This smaller area for the dump has been reclaimed with great success. The south side of the pile has been left at angle of repose because it blends in with contiguous natural talus slopes in the area. Note that these types of slopes have been approved in subsequent permitting at the Cricket Mountain facility. To configure the dump as in the original permit would have required further excavation and clearing of additional undisturbed land.

Please see the attached application and figures for further details. Figures 1 through 3 show the areas nominated for release. The report from WP Natural Resource Consulting, Inc was included in the original submission in October 2006, and provides the pertinent information on vegetation status for the nominated areas.

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cc: Tom

If the release areas are accepted, 574 acres of disturbance will remain on the reclamation contract, and 51.8 of those acres will require only vegetation release.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Andrew Reghe
for

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Application for Site and/or Bond Release

Operator/Permittee: <u>Graymont Western US Inc.</u>	
Mine/Project Name: <u>Cricket Mountain</u>	
File Number: <u>M/027/006</u>	
Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Large Mine <input type="checkbox"/> Small Mine <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration	
Check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partial Release of a <u>portion</u> of the mine site: Acres to be released: <u>51.8</u> Acres Remaining: _____ Specify Area: <u>Acres are for grade release at Poison Mountain and Flat Iron Quarries</u>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Release of a <u>portion</u> of the mine site: Acres to be released: <u>51.7</u> Specify Area: <u>Acres are for vegetation and grade release at the Poison Mountain Quarry</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial Release of entire mine site: Total Acres to be released: _____ (Backfilling and grading are completed)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Release of entire mine site: Total Acres to be released: _____ (Vegetation established and survived three growing seasons)	
Amount of Existing Surety: <u>\$2,098,500</u>	
Amount of Surety requested for release: <u>\$286,300</u>	
Reason for Bond Release Request: <u>Reclamation and Mining Completed.</u>	
Complete this section if the money released from this application is to be used as surety for future disturbance. Release bond on: _____ Acres (specify area) _____ Apply Bond to: _____ Acres (specify area) _____	
Check Applicable Boxes	DESCRIPTION of RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES COMPLETED (Describe any variance(s) that have been granted, date activity completed)
<input type="checkbox"/> Wells Plugged / shafts sealed	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Disposal of debris & other materials incident to mining	All mining debris removed.
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainages, reestablished & stable	Recontoured surface to approved mine plan specifications.

	Structures demolished / removed	N/A
	Regrading Completed – Slopes, pits, highwalls in stable condition	Regraded to approved mine plan, see attached letter for further information on West Dump area.
	Meets Postmining Land Use (Indicate Landuse)	Grazing
	Roads Reclaimed	Blocked and reclaimed according to approved mine plan.
	Dams, Impoundments, Ditches, Pits reclaimed	N/A
	Topsoil respread – amendments added	Reseeding complete.
	Erosion Controlled	Graded as per approved mine plan.
	Vegetation meets 70% of premining cover and has survived three years for full bond release – or has survived one year growing season to maintain small mine status.	See attached report.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments and obligations, herein.

ROBERT ROBISON
Print Name

[Signature]
Sign Name, Position
11 June 07.
Date

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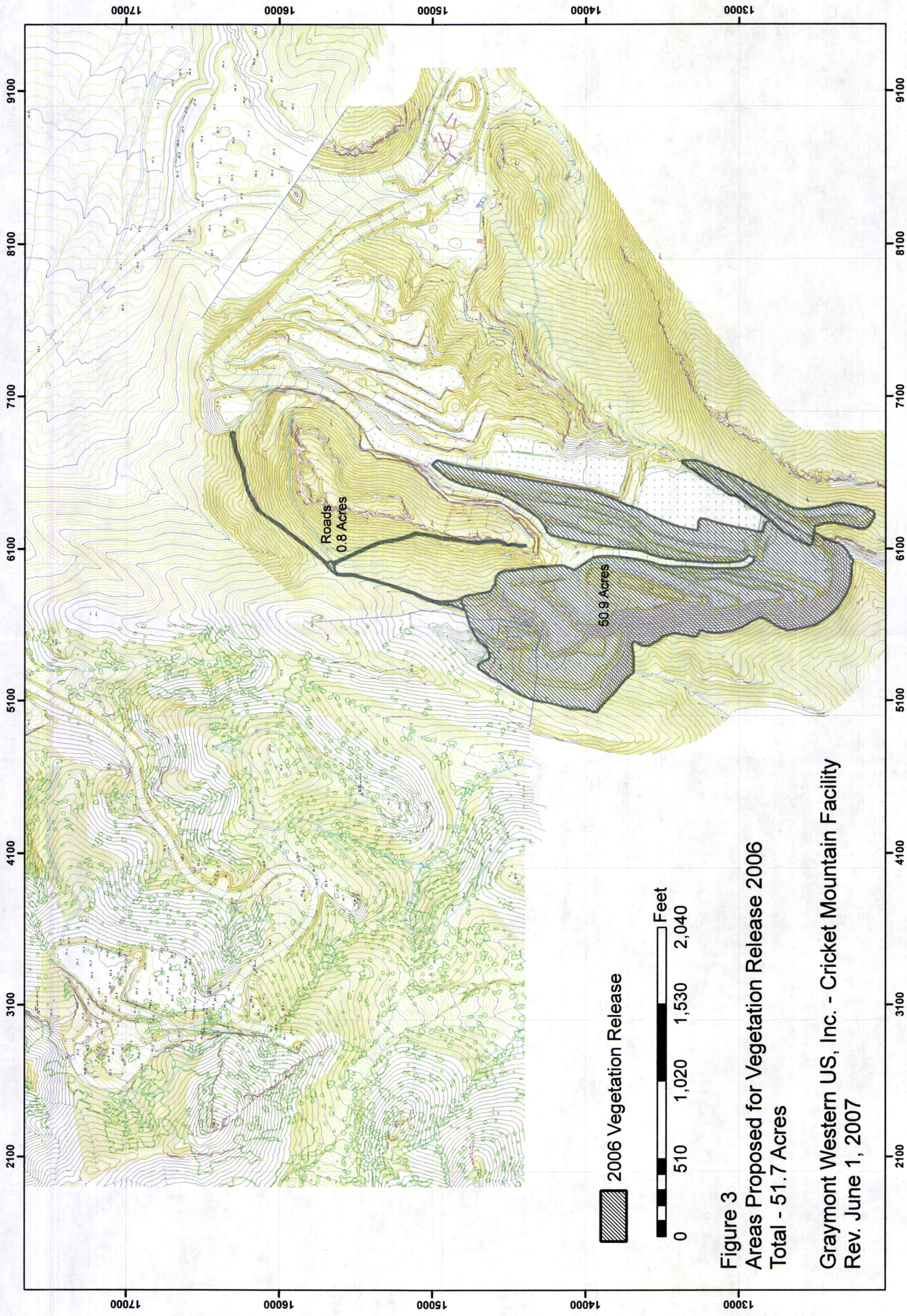


Figure 3
Areas Proposed for Vegetation Release 2006
Total - 51.7 Acres

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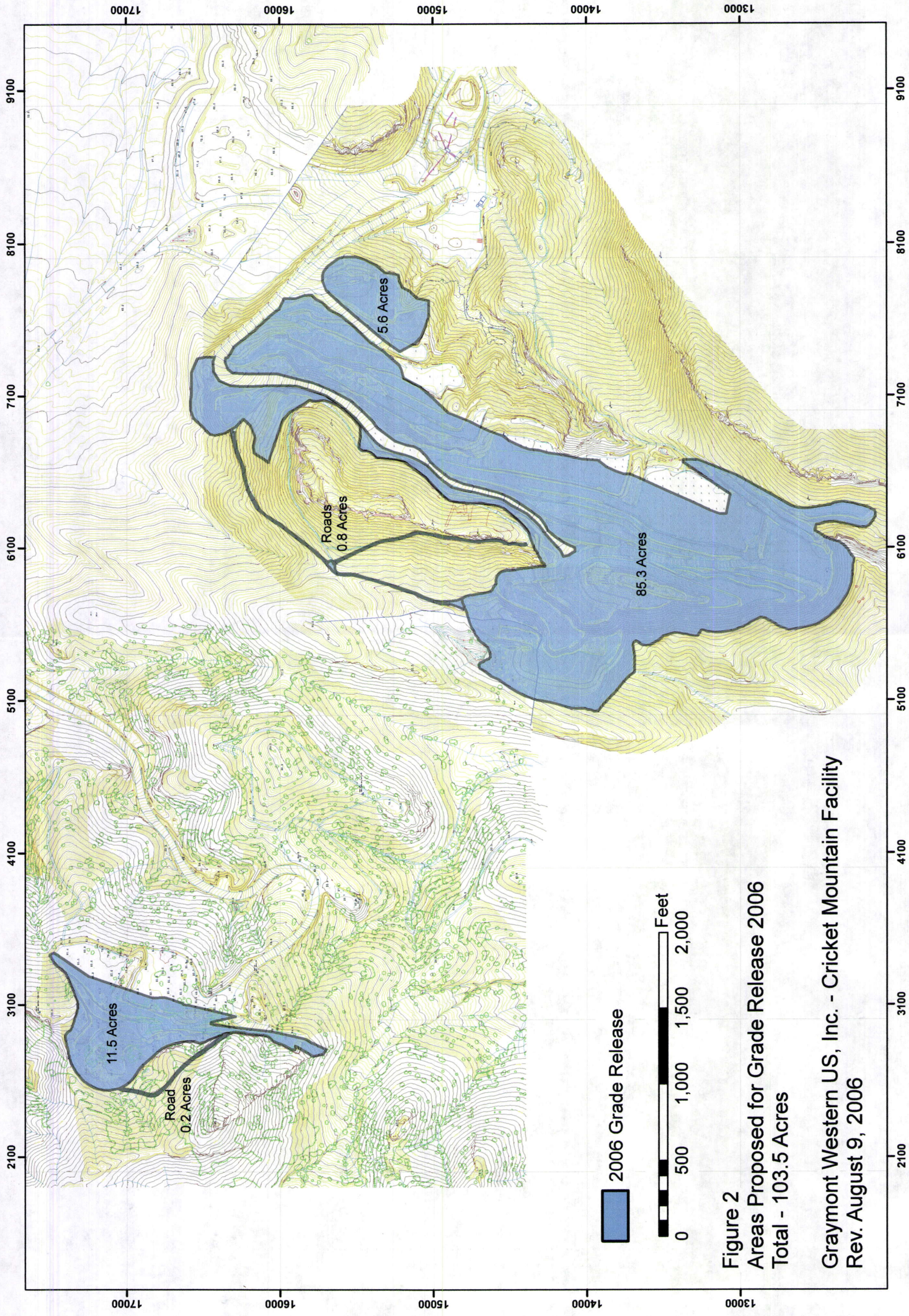


Figure 2
Areas Proposed for Grade Release 2006
Total - 103.5 Acres

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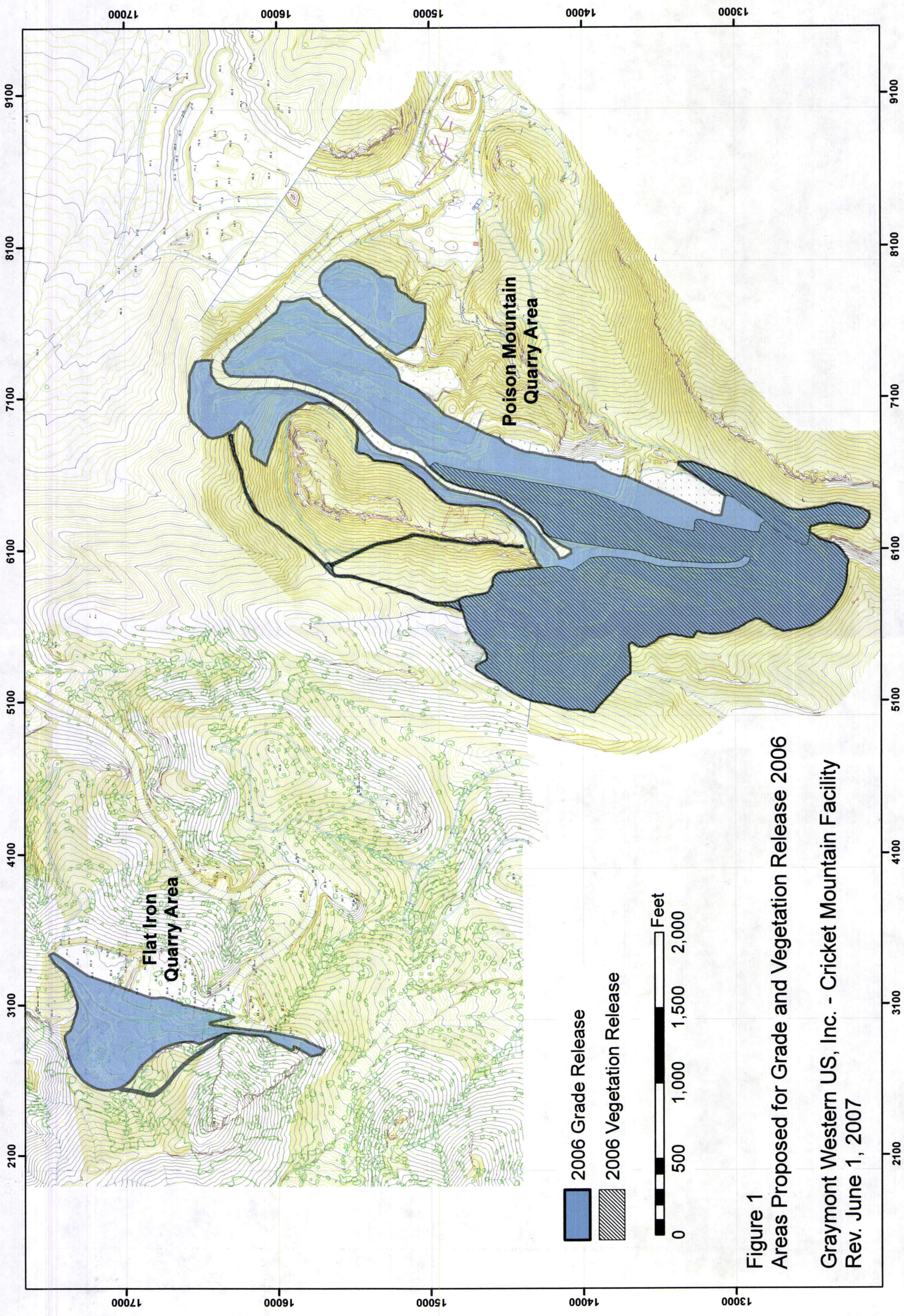


Figure 1
Areas Proposed for Grade and Vegetation Release 2006
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